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Triple Talaq UNCONSTITUTIONAL:SC

- **Verdict with 3:2 majority**
- **Parliament asked to make law**

New Delhi, Aug. 22- In a landmark and a far-reaching order empowering millions of Muslim women, the Supreme Court this morning struck down the controversial Islamic divorce practice of instant triple talaq, saying it was arbitrary and against the tenets of Islam. "It is illegal, unworthy and retrograde and is not integral to religious practice and violates Constitutional morality," the SC ruled.

In the historic decision, a five-judge multi-religious Constitution Bench banned triple talaq by 3:2 majority. The Bench is headed by Chief Justice Jagdish Singh Khehar. Now that the Supreme Court has come out with its verdict on triple talaq, the Law Commission is expected to quickly wrap its Uniform Civil Code report and submit it to the Union Government in a month or two.

The court called triple talaq "bad in law" and said: "We hope the legislature will consider and take into account Muslim Personal Law while making legislation. **All parties must keep their politics away and decide this**." Referring to the abolition of the practice in Islamic countries, the court questioned, "Why can't independent India get rid of it?" The verdict came after six days of the historic hearing, which saw some of the top lawyers argue whether triple talaq was essential to Islam or not.

While Justice Khehar and Justice S. Abdul Nazeer held triple talaq to be part of fundamental right to religion of Muslims and said it was not unconstitutional, Justices Kurian Joseph, Rohinton Fali Nariman and Uday Umesh Lalit said triple talaq violated the fundamental right of Muslim women as they are subjected to arbitrary irrevocable divorce through this practice.

CJI Khehar and Justice Nazeer, even while holding triple talaq to be valid, ordered a stay on this practice for six months to enable legislature bring a law banning this practice. They said if a legislation banning triple talaq completely is placed before Parliament within six months, the stay on the practice would continue till Parliament enacted or rejected the law.

Justice Joseph said triple talaq was not sanctioned by Quran and hence could not form part of the fundamental right to religion.

He said what is not true in theology cannot be sanctioned by practice or law. They struck down that part of 1937 Sharia Law that allowed it to be recognised practice among Muslims following Hanafi School.

During the hearing, the Apex Court had clarified that it may not deliberate upon the issue of polygamy and said it would only examine whether triple talaq was part of an "enforceable" fundamental right to practice religion by the Muslims.

(See TALAQ on page 8)

19 AIADMK MLAs withdraw support to TN CM

Chennai, Aug. 22 - A day after the merger of two AIADMK factions, Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami faced his first major crisis as 19 MLAs belonging to the T.T.V. Dhinakaran faction submitted letters to Governor Ch. Vidyasagar Rao expressing lack of confidence in the Chief Minister and withdrawing support to him.

As things stand now Palaniswami falls short of a simple majority by one seat.

The 19 AIADMK rebel MLAs called on the Governor this morning at Raj Bhavan and submitted individual letters withdrawing their support to Palaniswami. In identical letters addressed to the Governor, the MLAs stated that the Chief Minister has "forfeited" their confidence and that of the public and hence they were withdrawing their support earlier extended to the Tamil Nadu CM.

Bank strike total

10 lakh bank employees join Nationwide stir

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (RK&NNN)- Banking services in the city was hit today as nearly 200 employees including officers of various banks across the city joined together in the nationwide strike called by the United Forum of Bank Union (UFBU).

The employees were protesting against the 'anti-people' policies of Central Government that includes writing off Corporate NPAs (Non-Performing Assets), and increase in bank charges.

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Mysuru, Tuesday 22nd August 2017

Overlooked workforce

Democracy and demography of the country are being talked about in knowledgeable circles in unrelated perspective to an extent of dwelling more on its former aspect (democracy) than the latter (demography). Figures such as half the country's headcount is below the age of 25 years, or 600 million people of the land are engaged in agricultural activities, or some huge guestimated number in the population are jobless, or 40 per cent of the country's citizens reside in urban spaces, or four out of five engineering graduate mass are unsuited to work in industries and a host of other frequently published data and information in official as well as other channels with ample help from the media can leave anybody aghast. However, the land's growing number of players in politically chaotic scene across the country, specially in some States including Karnataka are unfazed being pre-occupied in machinations to grab power of forming the government and grabbing public funds to build personal wealth of monetary value in astronomical proportions.

The nation's economically productive human resources reportedly account for only about 10 per cent in the organised sector engaged often in arm-twisting of the government to get their demands fulfilled, while the remaining 90 percent serves as grist for the intelligentsia to debate about their plight in seminars, symposia and conferences, with nil outcome.

Two important sections in the country's workforce namely *a)* The *farming fraternity* who fill the nation's food basket, rain or hail and *b)* The *home-makers* keeping their families bellyful may figure in newspaper articles by seasoned writers glorifying them no end. Adulation for the players in these two sections of society across the country has not fetched them even a fraction of what their counterparts in the organised sectors manage to garner at the drop of a hat. Alarm bells are already ringing about the youth drifting to urban spaces unlike in the past centuries when one generation quietly passed on to the next generation seamless transfer of the task of raising crops. The taken-for-granted home-maker fraternity may follow suit in course of time given the gradually disappearing joint families and women taking to work away from their homes.

Between the farmers and home-makers, the point of who is more indispensable depends on the issue of which one has an alternative. The answer is as clear as daylight. Loans to farmers and their waiver under pressing conditions may amount to an ungrudged privilege but the home-maker fraternity shall remain as an overlooked workforce.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

It was a small 300-word story that first appeared on the* India Today *website in December 2008 and then in the magazine in January 2009. It said: "5.91 crore LIC policies discontinued in seven years." The story was based on a Right To Information or RTI application. Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) did not share how much money it gained as a result of these lapsed policies. However, within a month of the story, LIC launched a limited-edition scheme for lapsed polices to which 14,221 policy holders subscribed. This is the kind of bread-and-butter story that many newspapers, magazines, news channels ought to be doing, the kind* India Today *or* The Indian Express *did in the eighties and nineties — finding hidden agendas, uncovering inefficiencies in government, and misuse of public money and so on.

— Vanita Kohli-Khandekar in Business Standard.

NEWS SPARKLERS

"Suit" in Wetsuit

Washington: If you thought business suits and surfing culture were mutually exclusive, you probably haven't seen Thom Browne's new wetsuit. Photos of the hand-crafted $3,900 haute couture item have been doing the rounds online ever since it was launched as part of the designer's Spring/ Summer collection, for being styled as a business suit.

Trompe L'Oeil was recently unveiled as part of fashion designer Thom Browne's 2017 Spring/ Summer line, but while many thought it a simple novelty creation to be worn by some male models on ramp walk,but this turned out to be a commercially available haute couture item. Browne teamed up with wetsuit creator extraordinaire, Shane Jones. When Thom Browne approached, Orange County-based Jones, he reportedly offered him a five-figure sum for a fullsuit sample of a business suit-like wetsuit sample, and after knocking it out of the park on his first try, he landed a deal for a whole line.

Girl lost in woods for a month!

Frankfort: Lisa Theris, 25, radiology student from Louisville, was reported missing on July 23rd, and was believed to have gotten lost in the Alabama wilderness. Everyone had nearly given up about her alive, Lisa was spotted by the side of a rural road in Bullock County and mistook her as deer. Judy Garner told Police that she was driving along Highway 82 in Bullock County, when she saw something moving in a bush, to her curious she went to investigate and found a naked woman covered in scratches and insect bites. She looked like she had been living in the wild for a long time. The young girl told Garner that she had survived on berries and muddy water, and was so scared that she begged her not to leave her side. The young survivor was soon identified as Lisa Theris, who had been reported missing over three weeks ago. It is believed that she was trying to run away from two men she was. Manley Davis and Randall Oswald were arrested two weeks after Lisa's disappearance, on charges of burglary and theft.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How can I get rid of a cold sore?

Perhaps the best remedy for cold sores is oil of oregano. It has the ability to kill viruses on contact. Cold sores are caused by the herpes simplex virus. Dab a few drops of oil of oregano directly on the cold sore at the first sign of symptoms. Repeat every few hours. The cold sore should begin to fade away in 2 - 3 days.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Kodava Convention in Dallas on Sept. 2 and 3

Dallas (USA) Aug. 22 - Traditions capture the essence of a culture, creating a bridge between generations for elders to pass on these traditions to the youth. Keeping this in mind, Kodavas of United States of America (USA) hold an annual convention to honour such traditions, attracting Kodavas from across the globe. **These conventions are typically hosted in a different places each year, with the 2017 convention being hosted by the Dallas Kodavas in Grapevine, Texas on Sept. 2 and 3.**

The Dallas Kodavas are represented by approximately 25 families who have elected to blend East and West cultures by presenting this year's convention with a unique Texan flair. The group has been very active with social media promotions that include artwork from their very own Kodavas, making this a much talked about event. The current number of registrants has crossed three hundred, projecting this to be the largest convention, so far.

A pre-convention will be held on Sept. 2 with the main event on Sept. 3. The event informally kicks-off with an opportunity to meet the hosts on Sept. 1. Guests will participate in sight-seeing tours including a special tour of the biggest Hanuman Temple and the new Radha Krishna Temple with the Dallas Kodava Architect – Tim Konganda. The pre-convention will also showcase the unique Texas culture with activities like mechanical bull riding, Texas line dancing, and more.

An opportunity to support the Kodava homeland will also be presented. There will also be a Dallas Kodava 5K run/ walk event. This event supports Coorg Wellness Foundation, which supports efforts for the wellness of Coorg, its people, wildlife and ecosystem. The main convention will showcase Kodava culture with Kodava dances, skits and many other entertainment activities. More information can be seen at *http://www.kodavas.org/convention*.

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- ***The giraffes can clean their ears and nose with their tongue.***
- ***There is a parasite that severs and replaces the tongue of a fish. It then becomes a fully functioning, parasitic, but otherwise harmless, tongue for the rest of the fish's life.***

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"Hurry up or we'll be late!" shouts a teacher to her kindergarten class.
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VOICE OF THE READER

No Night Safari at Mysuru Zoo please!

Sir,

Our Chief Minister, during his recent visit to Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens, popularly known as Mysuru Zoo, showed interest in Night Safari.

Already our eco-sensitive Chamundi Hill is going commercial with mass construction activity. Now please don't commercialise Zoo by treating animals as mere entertainment toys. They are living beings, they too have life.

Already they are losing their natural habitat and enclosed in cages. Only after sunset they are relaxed and get time to recuperate. Even some of their weekly offs (Tuesdays) are taken away and now Night Safari; this only shows that our selfish interests never ends.

Our Zoo has various species of animals and birds in which most of them are naturally day habitants except for a few wild animals and birds who are nocturnal (that too in the jungles). So meddling with their routine is just cruelty. Having Night Safari means Zoo has to be closed during the day.

Rather than imitating other tourist destinations, we should bring in new ideas without harming our socio-ecological balance and moving forward with our culture: *Om Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah...*

—Goutam Salecha
on email

Mysuru
19.8.2017

Jeopardy of high beam headlights in city limits!

Sir,

Headlights, why do we use them? To increase our visibility to other drivers and avoid hazards, it's important to switch headlights according to the weather and the time of day while being mindful of other drivers.

High beam headlights give bright and long-range illumination. Using high beams within the city limits can cause split second blindness, leading to accidents. It affects the vision of the driver in the oncoming vehicle as well as the person driving ahead of you as it reflects in their rear-view mirror.

And in a city like Mysuru where there is very minimal traffic, these high beams can reach longer distances. The Traffic cops did make it a point to fine vehicles using high beams within the city limits, but it has not made any difference.

The headlight hazard continues within the city limits, and this becomes more hazardous when it's raining.

Although there was awareness created by sign-boards along the pavements about the dangerous high beam headlights, people seem to be ignorant on this simple logic and almost every vehicle uses high beam headlights in the city. It is high time the cops swing into action, apart from only checking for helmets of the pillion rider; before these headlights create more havoc and consume more lives in the name of accidents.

—Prerana

Mysuru
19.8.2017

To Our Readers

In case you have an emergency complaint to make to the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), you may contact the 24x7 complaint service by calling Mob. No.:

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Governor sends back Govt's nomination of KPSC members

Bengaluru, Aug. 22- Governor Vajubhai R. Vala on Monday sent back to the government a list of four candidates recommended to be nominated as the Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC) members.

The Governor is learnt to have asked the government to obtain the approval of the State Cabinet before recommending the candidates for nomination. He has also sought certain clarifications on the members.

Last week, the government had recommended four names, including the Chief Minister's Personal Medical Adviser Dr. Ravikumar, to the Governor for nomination. IAS officer Shadakshari Swamy, R. Lakshminarayana and Srikanth are three other persons recommended by the government.

According to official sources, the government had also attested a copy of the 2013 Cabinet decision which had decided to leave the selection of names to the Chief Minister's discretion.

The sources said that the Governor has contended that it was not right on the part of the government to recommend names based on 2013 decision, and that the list should be scrutinised by the Cabinet again.

Mass marriage atop Hill: Date extended

Mysuru, Aug. 22- The last date for registration for the mass marriage programme organised by District Administration has been extended till Aug. 25.

The mass marriage will be held on Aug. 31 atop Chamundi Hill. Interested may register names at Mysuru Taluk Tahsildhar's Office.

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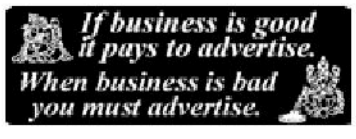

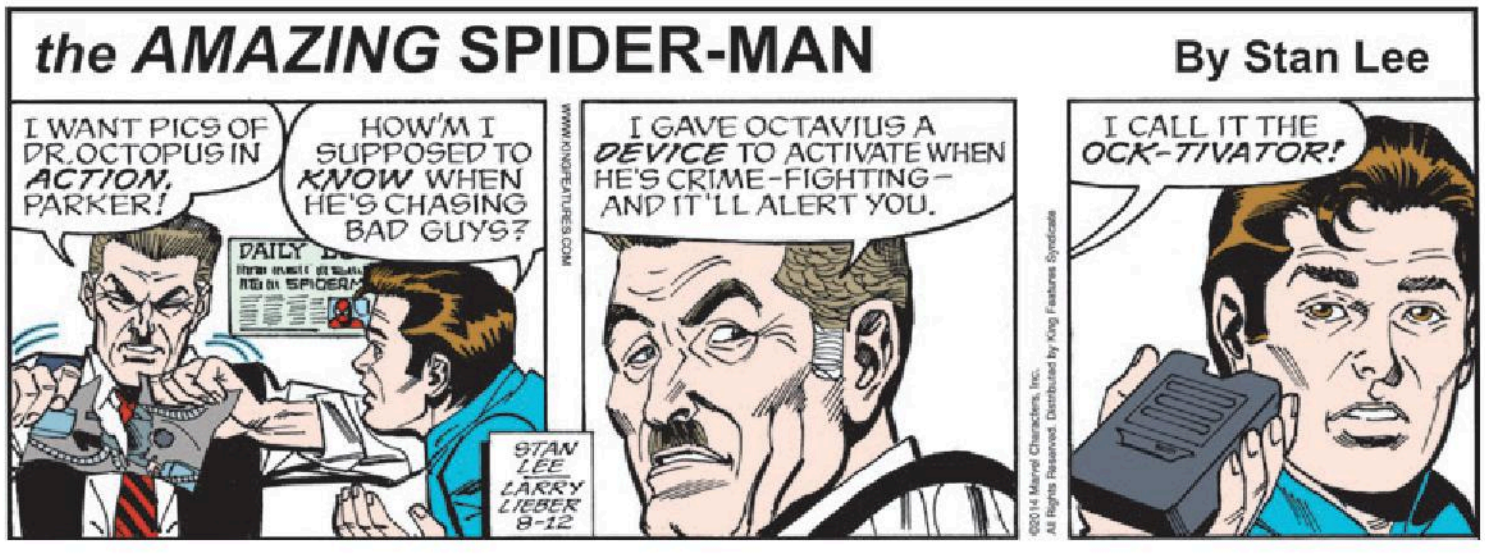
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NEWS BRIEFS

Entries invited

Thane-based Jagajyoti Kala Vrinda, having office at ground floor, Pancham Co-operative Housing Society Ltd., near Vivekanand School, Mahatma Phule Road, Dombivli (West), Thane-421202, has invited entries from Kannada women writers and poets, for awarding Susheela Seetharama Shetty Memorial Award for story and poetry. Each of the two awards carry a cash prize of Rs. 5,000 and a citation. The last date for receipt of entries is Oct. 31. For details, contact Mob: 98202-96840 or 98921-10826 or 98698-24709.

Financial assistance

The Karnataka State Labourers and Daily Wage Labourers Union (KSLDWLU), having office at No.31, first floor, near RMP Colony, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, has invited applications from children of construction labourers studying in classes from fifth standard to post-graduate degree, for lending financial assistance. For details, call Ph: 0821-4191266 or Mob: 91416-14633 or 99865-43707.

National seminar

Karnataka State Tribal Research Centre has organised a National-level Seminar on 'Status of Tribal Ashrama Schools in Karnataka: Issues and Challenges' in city on Aug.30 and 31. Interested research students, faculty members and researchers may send their papers before Aug.25 via e-mail to the office of the Centre at #1540, Aniketana Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru-570 023 [Ph: 0821-2560274/ 75, e-mail: trimysore@gmail.com].

Cancer clinic

Preethi Cancer Centre has organised a free Cancer Detection Clinic at No. 873, Vani Vilas Road, Lakshmipuram, on Aug. 24 (Thursday) between 10 am and 8 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4259259.

CME on Aug.27

The Indian Medical Association (IMA) will be conducting a Continuing Medical Education (CME) programme for Allopathic Doctors and Specialists at the MMC&RI Platinum Jubilee Hall, J.K. Grounds in city at 9 am on Aug.27. Dr. Venkataramana, a Neurologist from Bengaluru, will be the chief guest. The KMC will award two marks to all the participant doctors. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2421628 or Mob: 88672-91249.

Founder's Day

Al-Kabir Nursery, Primary and High School is celebrating its Founder's Day at its premises in Bannimantap on Sept. 4 at 10 am. Institution has alumni and teachers, who have worked in the institution, to participate and also to form the Alumni Association. For details,contact Mob: 96201-64116, according to a press release.

RSS Worker Sharath Madiwala's Murder

Prime accused arrested from city

Victim Sharath

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (RK&DM)- The Dakshina Kannada Police, who are investigating the murder of RSS worker Sharath Madiwala on B.C. Road in the first week of July, have arrested the prime accuse Shariff from the city.

Shariff, a native of Mangaluru, had gone absconding after the murder. With Shariff's arrest, the number of arrest made in the case has risen to nine. The Dakshina Kannada Police, with the help of the city's Mandi Mohalla and Udayagiri Police, picked up Shariff from near Sathagalli Bus Depot, it is learnt.

Sharath was brutally assaulted by a group of miscreants on B.C. Road in Bantwal taluk on July 4. He succumbed to injuries at a hospital in Mangaluru on July 7. The murder resulted in violence at many parts of Dakshina Kannada district.

The Dakshina Kannada Police, who are said to have camped in the city for the past three days, were closely monitoring the movements of Shariff by tracking mobile tower location with the help of local Mandi Mohalla and Udayagiri Police. The Police are said to have swooped on him when Shariff was standing near the Sathagalli Bus Stand. Soon after he was arrested, Shariff was taken to Mangaluru under tight security, where he will be produced before a Court. Shariff is likely to be brought back to Mysuru and Chamarajanagar, for further investigation it is learnt.

Meanwhile, Mangaluru Police, who had arrested Popular Front of India (PFI) Chamarajanagar President Khaleelullah Pasha over a week ago, in connection with Sharath murder case, brought him to Chamarajanagar for the conduct of mahazar.

Soon after he was brought to Chamarajanagar, Khaleelullah was quizzed at the town Police Station, following which he was taken to his residence at Galipura Layout in Chamarajanagar, where the mahazar was conducted.

Chamarajanagar SP Dharmendra Kumar Meena, confirming that Mangaluru Police had brought Kahallelullah to Chamarajanagar, said that following the conduct of mahazar, Kaleelullah was taken back to Mangaluru.

Man held for raping and marrying minor girl

5 accomplices including woman also arrested

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (KS)- Saraswathipuram Police have arrested a man for allegedly kidnapping, raping and marrying a minor girl besides arresting his five accomplices including a woman under Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act and the accused have been remanded to Judicial custody. While the man has been identified as Siddaraju of Janata Nagar in city, his accomplices, who helped him in the crime, have been identified as Arun Kumar of Hassan, Ganesh of Rajajinagar, Madhu of Janata Nagar, Prakash of Palahalli and Siddaraju's relative Kumari.

The minor girl, who was pursuing her 1st PUC course and Siddaraju were known to each other and were friendly with each other which later turned into love.

Meanwhile, the girl's mother who came to know about her daughter moving around with Siddaraju, advised her daughter and left her in the house of a relative at a village in Mandya district.

Siddarju, who came to know about this, went to the village in a car along with his friends Arun, Ganesh, Madhu and Prakash and kidnapped the girl. Siddaraju then took the girl to the house of one Kumari, a relative and stayed there for two days during which Siddaraju allegedly raped the minor girl. He (Siddaraju) later brought the girl to Mysuru and married her in a temple.

In the meantime, the girl's mother had lodged a complaint at Saraswathipuram Police Station. Inspector Nagegowda and staff, acting on a tip off, arrested the accused. As Siddaraju had allegedly raped the minor girl, a case under POCSO Act was booked and all the accused were remanded to Judicial custody.

Speeding Kerala State bus runs over rider in Nanjangud

Prabhuswamy

Nanjangud, Aug. 22- A man who was travelling on his bike along with his wife to give his daughters 'bagina' for the Gowri Ganesha festival, came under the wheels of a speeding bus near Kalale Gate yesterday. He has been identified as 58-year-old farmer Prabhuswamy. His wife Indramma, who fell off the bike, sustained grievous injuries.

According to the Police and eye-witnesses, Prabhuswamy was on his Honda Shine bike (KA-09 H-0209) and was proceeding to Vidyanagar Layout in Nanjangud along with his wife Indramma to wish his daughters Baby and Bhramarambha on the occasion of Gowri Ganesha Festival and give the traditional 'baagina.'

As Prabhuswamy neared Kalale Gate, he lost control of the bike and fell off the vehicle. While Prabhuswamy fell to his right, Indramma fell towards left. A speeding Kerala State bus (KL-15 A-1834) ran over Prabhuswamy and he was killed on the spot.

People who had gathered at the accident spot immediately shifted a grievously injured Indramma to a Government hospital. Traffic on the busy road was stranded for more than 30 minutes till the body and the bike were shifted.

According to the Police and the public, after the accident, the bus driver tried to speed away but was given a chase by a Police vehicle, who seized the bus. The driver has been detained and is being interrogated.

Youth arrested for stealing electronic gadgets from cars

Four laptops, one mobile phone and one two-wheeler seized

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (KS)- Nazarbad Police on Aug. 19, have arrested a youth on charges of stealing electronic gadgets such as laptops and mobile phones from parked cars after breaking the glass and have recovered four laptops and a mobile phone besides seizing the bike.

The arrested youth has been identified as Rajesh, a resident of Yechagalli village in Nanjangud taluk.

The Police, acting on a tip off, found Rajesh standing with a TVS Apache bike near Maharaja complex in a suspicious manner and took him into custody.

When they searched his bag, the Cops found a laptop and on interrogating him, the accused is said to have confessed of stealing the laptop and a mobile phone from parked cars by breaking the glass with a stone in K.R. and Nazarbad Police limits.

Based on the information provided by the accused, the Police have recovered four laptops, one Samsung S8 phone and have seized the bike, all worth about Rs. 2.60 lakh from him.

DCP Dr. Vikram V. Amathe and Devaraja ACP B.S. Rajashekar supervised Nazarbad Inspector M.L. Shekar, SIs Yallalingappa and Poonacha and staff H.V. Madhukesh, B.V. Prakash, V. Srinivas, P. Chethan and H.S. Chethan in the nabbing, recovery and seizing operation.

Man commits suicide

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (RK&KS)- A man, depressed over his liquor addiction, committed suicide by consuming poison laced liquor at a lodge in city yesterday. The deceased has been identified as Mahadevaswamy (48), a resident of Ramanuja Road in city.

Mahadevaswamy, yesterday morning, took a room on rent at a lodge near Jaganmohan Palace, where he had allegedly consumed liquor mixed with poison and the incident came to light last night when the room boys peeped inside the room as Mahadevaswamy had not come outside since he took the room on rent. The room boys, who saw Mahadevaswamy lying motionless, informed the lodge management, who in turn informed Devaraja Police.

Devaraja Inspector Thimmaraju and staff, who rushed to the lodge, got the door opened, conducted mahazar and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary for post-mortem.

Devaraja Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Tent School, Library for Mahouts, Kavadis' children inaugurated

Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanveer Sait, who inaugurated the Tent School at Mysore Palace premises last evening, is seen interacting with the kids as others look on.

Mysuru, Aug.22 (SBD&NNN)- Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanveer Sait inaugurated the Tent School and Library opened for the children of mahouts and kavadis at the Palace premises here yesterday.

Later, speaking, he said that the Mahouts and Kavadis, who have accompanied the Dasara elephants are going to camp for 45 days in the Palace. Even their families have accompanied them. As the children are studying in various tribal hadi schools, it is a practise to open tent schools for them so that they do not miss classes. However, from last year even library facility is being provided, he added.

This year along with the studies, the students will be taught art, drama, music and introduced to equipment being used in practical classes. Even as the Mahouts and Kavadis involve themselves in training the elephants to participate in Dasara procession, the studies of the children go alongside them in the tent school, said Sait.

Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, Deputy Mayor Rathna Lakshman, Zoo Authority Chairperson Mallige Veeresh, Mysore Paints and Varnish Chairman H.A. Venkatesh, Karnataka Exhibition Authority Chairman B. Siddaraju, Corporator Sunil, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, Deputy Director of Public Instruction (DDPI) Dr. B.K.S. Vardhan, Mysuru South Block Education Officer K.S. Prakash, City Central Library Deputy Director B. Manjunath and Tent School teacher Noor Fatihma were present.

Tent School, Library: The Tent School has been set up suitably based on the requirement of the children. The syllabus includes maths, leaders of the nation and achievers. Their photographs have also been displayed. This year too, Noor Fathima of the Government Urdu Primary School on Chamaraja Double Road, has been appointed as the teacher.

There are 15 children at present. In a few days when the next batch of elephants arrive, more children will be added. In all, 45 children will be studying in the Tent School.

The classes will begin at 9.30 am and go on till 1.30 pm. Along with the appointed teacher a few other resource persons will also assist her. At 11 am, the children will be provided light snacks and at 1.30 hot lunch will be served. They will also be given uniforms and learning aids.

The DDPI has promised to teach folk songs to the students.

In the Library opened next to the school, along with books on literature and science there are more than 2,000 books to kindle the young minds. Newspapers will be made available to the children in the library.

Minister Sait turns teacher

Minister Tanveer Sait turned a teacher for a few moments yesterday after inaugurating the Tent School. He squatted on the ground along with the children and posed a few questions to them like when did the country get independence? and do you know Mahatma Gandhi? He explained to the students about the concept of non-violence.

Sait patiently told them that society is full of problems and they should never feel that they are too young to fight them. "You must cultivate the habit of questioning," he advised them.

Sait writes to IT Minister to ban Blue Whale video game

Mysuru, Aug. 22- Blue Whale video game is causing untold misery as children and students indulging in this game are committing suicides. Hence, the Centre should come forward to ban this game, urged Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanveer Sait in a letter to the Information and Technology (IT) Minister.

Addressing media persons at the Palace premises, here yesterday, he said that technology is a double-edged sword. The recent suicide of a student playing the Blue Whale game in Kerala is a warning signal.

"I have written a letter to both the Centre and State Minister of Information Technology and the Secretary in this regard, urging them to ban this dangerous game," Sait said.

Parent-teachers meeting

The Minister informed that he has sent a circular to all the aided, unaided and private schools in the State to hold monthly teachers-parents meetings.

It is possible to restrict the use of mobile phones in the schools. However, at homes parents must keep an eye on the children. Hence, such meetings were very important to be held to highlight the problems of not only the progress of students in the schools but also to learn about the harmful effects of technology that children are exposed to almost right from their birth, Sait added.

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Sl. No.	Description of Work	Approximate Value
1.	Proposed face lifting of new Spring Shop on account of declaring as Centre of Excellence at Chief Work Shop / Mysuru.	Rs. 37,43,000/-
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Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Estimated Cost Rs.	Period for Completion	EMD Amount Rs.	Cost of the Tender Document
1.	Providing aluminium partition at Lab No.03 of old FVT dept. for NPIC-CIF Phase-II at Silver Jubilee Block , CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru	7,29,385/-	21 days	14,600/-	Rs. 500/- (Non refundable) Add Rs.50/- for postage

Last date for issue of Tender Documents : Upto 3.00 PM on 29-08-2017

Last date for receipt of Tenders : Upto 2.30 PM of 30-08-2017 at COA's Office, CFTRI, Mysuru

Date and time of opening Tenders : 3.00 pm on 30-08-2017 at COA's Conference Room.

Tender Documents can be obtained in person from **E-VII** Section on all the working days from **9.30 AM to 3.00 PM** on Cash payment to CFTRI's. Bank A/c at CFTRI, Mysore. Those who intend to obtain the Tender Documents by post should make e-payment (RTGS) for the cost of Tender in favor of the **Director, CFTRI, Mysore.** Copy of the Registration Certificate, latest IT Returns, Sales Tax Clearance Certificate and Experience Certificate should be produced/ enclosed for obtaining the Tender documents. The Director, CFTRI, Mysore, reserves the right to accept in full or in part or reject all or any Tender without assigning any reasons whatsoever and no correspondence will be entertained in this regard. The successful tenderer will have to start the work immediately. The complete tender details such as Technical Specifications, Drawings, Terms & Conditions of Contract with respect to the said Tender Notification is available at our website: www.cftri.com

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August 15 was the wrong date, chosen for the wrong reason. Also, Iqbal's *Hindustan Hamara* deserves a fresh look

Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

Has the time come for Independence Day to be shifted to a date other than August 15? The question is neither facetious nor irrelevant. **The controversies that accompanied the celebrations this year are a reminder that August 15 was rejected by the astrologers of the time as an 'unfortunate and unholy' date.** But Viceroy Mountbatten insisted on it because, for him, it was a 'very lucky' date; it was on an August 15 that the Japanese army surrendered before him, the Allied Commander in Southeast Asia at the time.

Before his obstinacy, the astrologers suggested a compromise — August 14-15 midnight. That hour, as far as the astrologers were concerned, was August 14 because astrologically days began with sunrise. **Mountbatten didn't care because, for him, days began at midnight. So the flag went up at the midnight hour.** But it was a compromise, none the less, to get the better of a stubborn Englishman's ego. Now that a Bharatiya party is in power, the wisdom of astrology should be given its due place and an auspicious date found for Independence Day lest unfortunate and unholy vibrations occur.

This year, for example, official programmes went off well, with lavish splendour on show. But jarring notes came from Tripura, Uttar Pradesh and Kerala. The Communist Chief Minister of Tripura had a prepared speech for the occasion. But he was asked to make some changes in the text. He declined whereupon *Doordarshan* refused to broadcast his speech. The Kerala Chief Minister (also a Communist) had a speech strongly critical of the developments that had taken root in the country under BJP rule. But he wasn't stopped. Smart cookie.

What Kerala witnessed was another kind of disequilibrium. The Chief of the RSS, visiting the State, was listed to hoist the flag at a school in Palakkad. It was an aided school and the rules stipulated that flag hoisting should be done only by a teacher or an elected people's representative. The local Collector served a notice on the school pointing this out. But the RSS Chief chose to violate the rule, went and hoisted the flag, sang *Vande Mataram* and left the stage with his companions. A minute later, the whole troupe returned to the stage, assumed their previous positions and sang *Jana Gana Mana;* they had forgotten the National Anthem in the first round.

The final act of the *tamasha* occurred several minutes after the RSS boss and his group had left the school. The authorities of the school, worried about the implications of the Collector's notice, assembled in front of the school and went through a flag-hoisting ceremony anew, complete with the National Anthem — a demonstration of patriotism twice over. Last heard, the Chief Minister said a case would be filed against the rule violation, but he also transferred the collector. Smart cookie.

Jana Gana Mana..., they said had 'Sindh' in it. "Sindh is now in Pakistan and we cannot pray for Pakistan. Remove that word and we'll sing the anthem proudly." What can Yogiji say to that ?

In Uttar Pradesh, it was quite unnecessary for Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath to prove his patriotism by asking Muslims to provide video proof of their patriotism. Government directives had gone out to all madrasas asking them to take video records of the National Anthem and the national song being sung by the students and staff.

In the event, barring some Deoband institutions, no one sang the National Anthem. Spokesmen for an Islamic seminary in Lucknow had a disarming explanation. ***Jana Gana Mana,* they said had 'Sindh' in it. "Sindh is now in Pakistan and we cannot pray for Pakistan. Remove that word and we'll sing the anthem proudly." What can Yogiji say to that?**

Most madrasas hoisted the National Flag and sang *Sare Jahan Se Achcha Hindustan Hamara.* Actually, a moment's thought should be enough to convince perhaps even the Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister that this is a song that should be encouraged.

Mohammed Iqbal was a 27-year-old college lecturer in Lahore when he wrote the classic song of patriotism. He was then a believer in pluralism and a composite Hindu-Muslim national culture. It was after he went to Europe that he became an Islamist. In a subsequent song he wrote, the earlier line *Watan Hai Hindustan Hamara* was re-born as *Watan Hai Sara Jahan Hamara.* The original song, as sung in those madrasas, is a paean to Hindustan's composite culture as opposed to Islam's concept of world hegemony. That they sing the first version and not the later Islamist version is something to be appreciated. Of course, if the vision is one of Hindutva hegemony, then nothing will do. Even videos may not be conclusive evidence of patriotism. Brain mapping next?

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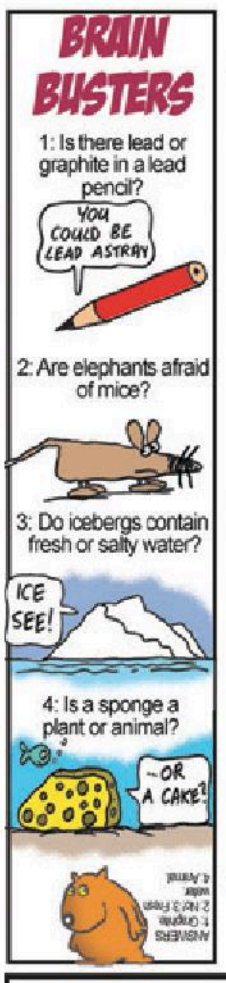
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YOU COULD BE LEAD ASTRAY
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3: Do icebergs contain fresh or salty water?
ICE SEE!
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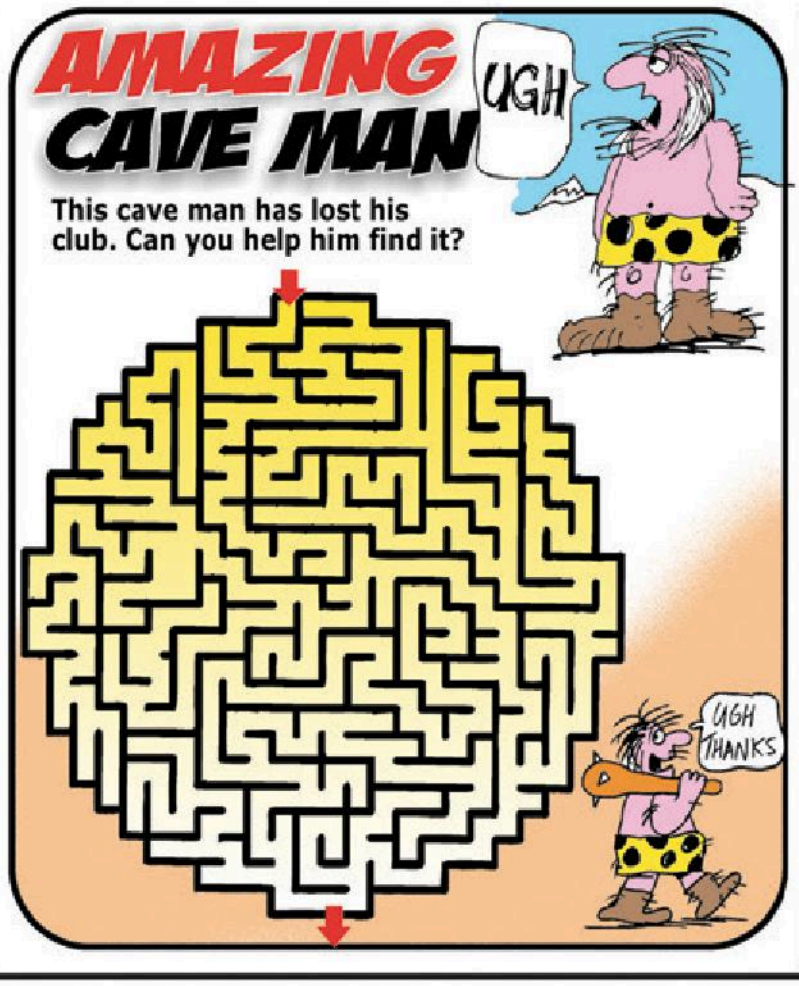
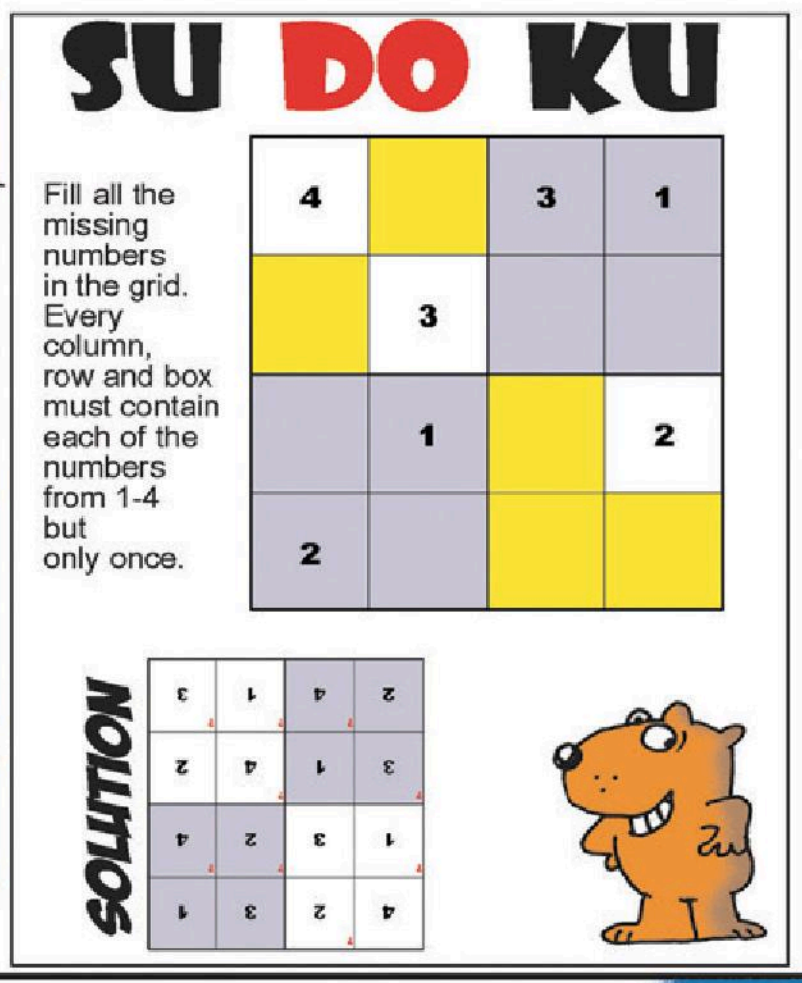
...OR A CAKE?

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PAWS FOR A JOKE!
What can you serve but not eat?
A tennis ball.
What did the digital clock say to it's mother?
Look mum, no hands
11:01
What games do spacemen play?
Astronauts and crosses.

Hinkal Lake to get a Park too

DC inspects development works at Lake

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (US)- "If funds under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) picks up, it is proposed to construct a good Park near Hinkal Lake with enough games for children," said Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep. He was speaking after inspecting the ongoing development works at Hinkal Lake here yesterday.

Randeep said that the Lake would be developed at a cost of Rs. 1.36 crore and the work was almost complete. He added that instruction has been given to lay a walking track at the Park and also to maintain cleanliness around the Park.

MCC Assistant Engineer C. Nagaraja Murthy, Assistant Executive Engineer Veeresh and DC Office AEE Nagaraj accompanied the DC.

Dy. Commissioner D. Randeep inspecting the works at Hinkal Lake here yesterday along with MCC officials.

Chunchanakatte Jalapathotsava from Sept.9

Yash-Radhika to inaugurate

Mysuru, Aug. 22 - The two-day Chunchanakatte *Jalapathotsava* will be held at K.R. Nagar on Sept. 9 and 10, said MLA S.R. Mahesh.

Addressing a preliminary meeting with the taluk-level officials on Saturday last, the MLA said that River Cauvery water will not be wasted as water released through graphite power generation station will be used for Jalapathotsava and added that the event would be held at a cost of Rs. 20 lakh to Rs. 25 lakh.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will also be present at the *Jalapathotsava* to be inaugurated by actor-couple Yash and Radhika Pandit on Sept. 9.

A documentary on ancient temples, Jain basadis, churches and mosques would be screened at the venue.

The valedictory will witness actors Sudeep and Puneeth Rajkumar gracing the occasion besides cultural programmes by famous artistes.

"This year, we are expecting more visitors for which adequate transport facility would be provided apart from drinking water, ambulance and hospital facilities. Police personnel and Fire and Emergency staff too would be deployed at the venue," the MLA added.

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Return filing deadline relaxed for July, 2017. Last dates for filing returns (GSTR-3B, GSTR-1, GSTR-2 & GSTR-3) and making tax payments for July, 2017 are given below:

Form	For July, 2017
GSTR-3B	Taxpayers **who do not want** to avail transitional credit in this month in FORM GST TRAN-1:- • **Last date for making payment and filing return is 25th August, 2017**
	For taxpayers wanting to avail transitional credit in this month in FORM GST TRAN-1:- • **Last date for making payment is 25th August, 2017** • **Last date for filing return is 28th August, 2017**
GSTR-1	1st - 5th September
GSTR-2	6th - 10th September
GSTR-3	11th - 15th September

Do not worry if you are not able to avail of the transitional credit this month, you can utilize it later also because it will get credited in your electronic ledger, provided you file FORM GST TRAN- 1 on or before 30th September, 2017.

Salient Features of FORM GSTR-3B

- FORM GSTR-3B to be filed mandatorily by all normal registered taxpayers.
- NIL returns to be filed in case of no business.
- Summary of information about sale and purchase, available Input Tax Credit (ITC), tax payable, and tax paid is to be furnished.
- All input tax credits availed and utilized will be posted in ITC Ledger.
- Unutilized ITC can be used in subsequent months.
- While filing up FORM GSTR-3B, don't forget to save partially filled form by clicking SAVE GSTR-3B button.
- After SUBMIT no modification is possible, therefore, fill the details carefully before pressing SUBMIT.
- If FORM GST TRAN-1 is submitted, click CHECK BALANCE button to view the balance available for credit under Integrated Tax, Central Tax, State Tax and Cess (this includes transitional credit also).

Who should not file FORM GSTR-3B?

Not to be filed by Input Service Distributor (ISD), a Non-Resident Person, Tax Collector at Source (TCS), Tax Deductor at Source (TDS) & Composition Dealers.

Payment of tax through any NEFT/RTGS takes time to get reflected in cash ledger. Without payment getting reflected in cash ledger, return can't be filed. Hence do not wait for last minute payment & return filing.

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Ghar Wapsi: Father-son return to Hindu fold

Arya Samaj priests perform rituals to bring back G. Seshadri and his son Harshit Arya to Hindu religion in city this morning as Sri Ram Sene Chief Pramod Mutalik and District Brahmins Association President D.T. Prakash look on.

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (RK&NNN)- A father and son who were following Islam returned to the Hindu fold today at the Arya Samaj in the presence of Sri Ram Sene Chief Pramod Muthalik and members of various other Hindu organisations. The two who returned to Hindu fold by converting from Islam to Hinduism are G. Seshadri who was earlier called Syed Abbas and his son Harshit Arya who was earlier called Syed Atiq. The vedic rituals according to the Arya Samaj rites were performed by chief priest H.V. Naveen Arya.

Seshadri and Harshit were welcomed back to the Hindu fold when the *Yagnopavita* (sacred thread) ceremony was performed as both of them had the thread across the chest and they did the *Sandyavandane*.

G. Seshadri son of late D. Govindaraju of Veerahalli village in Srirangapatna taluk had eloped with a Muslim woman about 10 to 15 years back. They had married and he had converted to Islam and changed his name to Syed Abbas. The couple had two sons. Later, the wife had left him along with one son.

The father and son decided to come back to the Hindu fold, a Ghar Vapsi. Priest Naveen Arya told *Star of Mysore* that there was no coercion on the part of the Arya Samaj and the father and son had decided to come back on their own volition. Hence, they had produced ID proof and affidavit in this regard.

There was strong police bandobust on Kotwal Ramaiah Street where the Arya Samaj is located. Devaraja Sub-Division ACP B.S. Rajashekar led a team comprising Inspector H.M. Kantharaju, Udayagiri Inspector Santosh, Nazarbad Inspector G.Shekar and Mandi Police Inspector Lakshmikanta Talwar, to avoid any untoward incident. However, the whole event passed off peacefully.

More than 200 members of the Sri Rama Sene, Arya Samaj activists and Viswha Hindu Parishat participated.

Mysore Races from Aug. 25

Derby-2017 on Oct. 22

MRC Chairman Hanuman Prasad** (centre) **is seen addressing press persons at MRC premises in city this morning as** (from left) **MRC Steward Y.P. Udayashanker, Secretary K.G. Anantharaj Urs, Steward G.K. Balakrishnan and Committee Member Dr. N. Nithyanand Rao look on.

Mysuru, Aug. 22- The much awaited Mysore Derby 2017 will be held on Oct. 22 (Sunday) at the Mysore Race Course, said Mysore Race Club (MRC) Limited Chairman Hanuman Prasad, here this morning.

Addressing press persons at MRC, he said that the Mysore Races will be held for a period of 16 days from Aug. 25 to Oct. 22 and total stakes (including Cups) worth Rs. 5,96,50,930 was advertised for the upcoming racing event.

The 16-day racing event will feature a total of 120 races with 25 local trainers and about 40 outstation trainers including from Madras Race Club expected to race their charges during Mysore Races 2017. Around 100 jockeys including all top riders in the Indian Racing circuit are expected to participate. The MRC will have 200 operational Betting Terminals and all jockeys will continue to undergo breathalyser test, he added.

Speaking about the lease agreement with the Public Works Department, Hanuman Prasad said that the renewal of the land lease was in favour of the Club and there were no issues to conduct the races.

He also added that the Club had conducted various social works under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative which included installation of borewell and solar water pumps at a cost of Rs. 8 lakh in Bandipur National Park, screening of 45,212 patients for eye-related problems through MRC Charitable Trust of which 2,812 were operated upon.

This apart, the MRC also played host to the 3rd International Yoga Day celebrations on June 21 where around 50,000 yoga enthusiasts took part, he said.

Hanuman Prasad also added that the efforts were being made to facilitate racing enthusiasts including tourists to watch live races from a designated enclosure free of cost.

The Karnataka Racehorse Owners Association will continue to sponsor The Mysore 1000 Guineas 2017 and the Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club will continue to sponsor Mysore 2000 Guineas 2017.

MRC Steward Y.P. Udayashanker, Secretary K.G. Anantharaj Urs, Steward G.K. Balakrishnan, Committee Member Dr. N. Nithyanand Rao, Additional Secretary and Chief Stipendiary Steward T. Raman were present during the press meet.

Important Classic / Sweepstakes Races

Aug. 25	:	The Srikantadatta Narasimharaajawadiyar Memorial Million 2017 - for 3-year-old.
Sept.1	:	The H.H. Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar Memorial Trophy [Grade III] - for 4-year-old and over.
Sept. 14	:	The Maharaja's Cup [Grade III] - for 4-year-old & over.
Sept. 15	:	The Karnataka Racehorse Owners Association Mysore 1000 Guineas 2017 [Grade III].
Sept.28	:	The Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club Mysore 2000 Guineas 2017 [Grade III].
Oct. 6	:	The Mysore Dasara Sprint Championship 2017 [Grade III] - for 3-year-old and over.
Oct. 13	:	The Governor's Cup 2017 - for 4-year-old and over.
Oct. 22	:	The Mysore Derby 2017 [Grade I].

Mahouts and Kavadis undergo body massage

Mysuru, Aug. 22- The Mahouts and Kavadis of Dasara elephants who have camped in the Palace premises along with their family members, training elephants for the upcoming grand event 'Dasara-2017,' will now relieve themselves from physical stress and strain at the Panchakarma Chikitsa Camp.

Dr. Sunitha is in-charge of the Camp set up by the AYUSH Department inside the Palace where the Mahouts and Kavadis will undergo body massage, stream massage, etc.

Triple Talaq unconstitutional: SC

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Triple talaq is legal for Muslims according to the Constitution, but several Muslim women who have been divorced, including by *Skype*, on *WhatsApp* and over phone, had challenged the 1400-year-old practice. During the arguments, the All India Muslim Personal Law Board described the divorce practice as "horrendous", "sinful" and "undesirable" with no sanction of the Quran and the Shariat. However, India's largest Muslim body had also cautioned that "testing the validity of customs and practices was a slippery slope."

The Government had backed the petitioners, declaring triple talaq unconstitutional, and derogatory and discriminatory for women. But it had argued that the Court should first pronounce its decision on the Constitutional validity of triple talaq, only then it would bring a law.

Bank strike total

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They are demanding the implementation of Parliamentary Committee recommendations for recovery of NPAs, stringent measures for recovery of bad loans, withdrawal of proposed FRDI (Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance) Bill, Abolition of Bank Boards Bureau, Adequate recruitment in all cadres and resolution of issues related to employees.

The strike was called by UFBU, an umbrella body of nine organisations that includes All India Bank Employees Association, All India Bank Officials Council, National Council of Bank Employees, All India Bank Officers Association and Bank Employees Federation of India.

All banking activities came to a standstill. The applicants for MUDA sites were a disappointed lot, as they could not apply for the sites. Businesspersons and other traders also had to return disappointed as the exchange of cheques and other transactions could not be done. However, so far, the ATMs have not been affected.

UFBU Regional Secretaries S.S. Prasanna and Sriram, Office Bearers Guru Dutt, Madhav Rao and M. N. Guru Dutt led the protest by taking out a procession from the Regional office of SBI in Saraswathipuram shouting slogans urging the fulfilment of their long pending demands. A few of the employees had also gathered in front of the Regional Office of Canara Bank in Nazarbad and staged protest.

They threatened to intensify the agitation in the coming days if their demands are not met.

In all, more than 10 lakh employees across the country participated in the nationwide strike and 1,32,000 branches downed the shutters.

Murder of former Kodagu Hockey player in Mumbai

Wife claims he killed himself after stabbing her twice

Naveen

Mumbai, Aug. 22 - Forty-five-year-old Amita alias Amrita, who murdered her husband, a former hockey player from Kodagu Chenanda Naveen Appaiah, has claimed that Appaiah had killed himself after stabbing her twice in the stomach. However, the doctors at Babasaheb Ambedkar Hospital, where Amita has been admitted, found no stab injuries on Amita who has been booked for the murder.

It may be recalled here that on Saturday (Aug. 19) afternoon, Amita had repeatedly stabbed Appaiah with a kitchen knife in their house in a fit of rage after they had a fight over a family dispute. 52-year-old Naveen Appaiah lived on the 27th floor of Agarwal Trinity Tower Society in Malad's (West) Kachpada area with his wife Amita, 23-year-old son, Ganapathy, and a 15-year-old daughter.

Star of Mysore had published a report on Sunday Aug. 20 "Wife stabs former hockey player from Kodagu to death; detained". The couple was enjoying a few drinks in the afternoon and soon a fight broke out between them when Amita brought a knife from the kitchen and stabbed Appaiah's chest and abdomen seven times. She then injured herself. Hearing Appaiah's screams, neighbours rushed him to the hospital where doctors declared him brought dead.

Amita had made a statement before her neighbours that her husband killed himself and stabbed her twice in the stomach. Her neighbours, including TV actor Aashka Goradia and her American beau, recorded Amita's statement on video and helped to rush her to the Ambedkar Hospital.

But doctors said they found only a cut on Amita's thigh, which they have sutured, and there were no stab injuries. Amita has now been referred for a psychiatric examination at the Nair Hospital, based on doctors' observation of her behaviour. She is likely to be arrested soon, Police said. Amita told her neighbours that she was critically injured and even wrote her will on a piece of paper. The Police, however, have stated that Amita's injury was self-inflicted.

According to the Police, the couple used to have domestic disputes. Things took a turn for the worse two days before the offence. "Amita's interrogation, post her arrest, will reveal what triggered the murder and the sequence of events that led to it," said a senior Police official.

Girl, senior citizen go missing from city

Amruta Narayana

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (KS) -In separate incidents, a 21-year-old girl and an 85-year-old man has been reported missing from Mandi and Nazarbad.

A 21-year-old girl, who left her house saying that she was going to the college has gone missing and a complaint has been lodged at Mandi Police Station. She has been identified as B.R. Amruta, who was residing with her grandmother on Kabir Road in Mandi Mohalla.

Amruta, on Aug. 14, left home at about 10 am saying that she was going to the college.

She is 5.5 ft. tall, normal built, fair complexioned, oval faced and speaks Kannada, Hindi and English and was wearing a green colour top and a blue pant.

Those having any information may contact Mandi Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418113 or 2418313.

An 85-year-old man has been reported missing near Anjaneyaswamy Temple near Dasara Exhibition Ground in Ittegegud from Aug. 6.

He has been identified as Narayana Padananda.

Narayana is 5.2 ft. tall, sports white beard and a mustache, oval faced, speaks Kannada Hindi, Sanskrit, English and Tamil and was wearing a white dhoti and a Khadi jubba.

Those having any information about the missing man may contact Nazarbad Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418308.

Obituary

Rajkumari Tarachand Kukreja

Mysuru, Aug. 22- Rajkumari Tarachand Kukreja (94), mother of Srichand Tarachand Kukreja, passed away at her residence in Yadavagiri in city this morning. She leaves behind a son, two daughters, grand children, host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the crematorium located at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

Douglas Dove (63), a resident of Udayagiri, passed away yesterday at his residence. He leaves behind his wife, two sons and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral Mass was held this afternoon at the Roman Catholic Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar followed by the burial in the same premises.

Vasu (68), a resident of Hootagalli, passed away yesterday evening at his residence.

He leaves behind his wife, a son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at his farm in his native place this noon, according to family sources.

LPG cylinders stolen

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (KS)- Two LPG cylinders, which were kept in front of a house at J.P. Nagar here, were stolen by miscreants and a complaint has been lodged at Vidyaranyapuram Police Station.

Nagaraju, a resident of J.P. Nagar had kept two LPG cylinders under the stairs and had secured it with iron grills besides locking it. He had seen the cylinders on Aug. 17 at about 10 pm.

However, the next day, he found both the cylinders missing. He later lodged a Police complaint.

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Cloud-Seeding

Remedy or cause for drought?

By Nataraj Kallichanda

Owing to deficient rainfall, the State government has launched cloud-seeding at an estimated cost of Rs. 35 crore, for 60 days. Cloud-seeding will be done across three river basins — Cauvery, Malaprabha and Tungabhadra.

The State government has described the cloud-seeding experiment as "essential" and that it would be taken up in places where it was required. However, many meteorologists have warned that cloud-seeding is a costly experiment with no guarantee of rains. There have been three experiments in Karnataka since the 1970s and the record has been patchy, say experts.

Being a resident of South Kodagu, I am dependent on coffee estate for my livelihood. Having spent my school and college days in Bengaluru, I understand that having a good monsoon in Kodagu is not only useful to Kodagu but also to Mysuru, Mandya and Bengaluru. My village Choorikad near Kutta is adjacent to the Nagarahole National Park. Thus my knowledge is not limited only to coffee estates. I have also ample knowledge about forests, rainfall and other aspects of greenery and any instability or changes in the surrounding nature worries me a lot. I have been measuring the amount of rainfall at my place in Kodagu and recording it daily along with annual rainfall since 1978. The rainfall details (in inches) are presented in the table.

Since 1978 till 2014, the annual average rainfall here was recorded at 78 inches. But the annual average rainfall since the last 3 years is only 45 inches. If you observe the table, apart from the last 3 years, rainfall has followed a certain definite pattern. Even if it rains less one year, the very next year we used to get heavy (good) rainfall and the natural balance is maintained. However, since the last 3 years, it has changed for the first time and we are observing a drought for three continuous years.

We have not heard or seen this type of situation before. I strongly believe that this must be the adverse effect of cloud-seeding that has been done in the past. Certain observations give enough reasons to my strong belief. Most of the people in this part of Karnataka have the same opinion about cloud-seeding. The Government might have done the cloud-seeding with good intentions. Everybody needs water but the Government does not seem to understand the adverse effects of cloud-seeding. It is very sad if it does not realise even after 3 years of lack of rains.

The Government has officially started cloud-seeding on August 22. But I strongly believe that cloud-seeding was launched much ahead, clandestinely though. Here are the reasons for my belief. I am also listing some adverse effects of cloud-seeding.

RAINFALL DETAILS

Year	Inches	Year	Inches
1978	85.94	1998	70.91
1979	85.98	1999	68.52
1980	95.15	2000	71.42
1981	95.98	2001	60.02
1982	69.92	2002	52.39
1983	94.31	2003	58.58
1984	96.40	2004	77.33
1985	67.41	2005	105.00
1986	74.65	2006	89.96
1987	51.20	2007	107.60
1988	67.41	2008	67.33
1989	71.48	2009	73.42
1990	69.18	2010	60.91
1991	96.27	2011	72.52
1992	108.85	2012	57.17
1993	74.40	2013	90.49
1994	100.98	2014	82.68
1995	65.42	2015	57.35
1996	73.00	2016	40.23
1997	85.27	2017	28.66 (Till August 16)

Statistics recorded at Choorikad near Kutta in Kodagu.

1. The Government knows that people especially agriculturists of this region are against cloud-seeding. This is the precise reason for the government to give confusing statements regarding cloud-seeding, its effects and the date of its launch.

2. Being a resident of the catchment area of river Lakshmanatheertha, a tributary of river Cauvery, I have been making certain interesting observations since the last 3 years. During June and July whenever there is a formation of small rain cloud, we hear the sound of aeroplane regularly though it is hard to see the aeroplane when it is cloudy.

3. Within a few minutes after we hear the aeroplane sound, we get a small shower.

4. Cloud-seeding aeroplanes keep attacking rain clouds and they do not give an opportunity for the formation of thick rain clouds, which is very important for a heavy downpour.

5. Since no opportunity is given for the formation of thicker rain clouds, wind easily carries away the clouds to a distant place, which may be a place that gets less annual rainfall. This year, we have observed that Malnad region receiving half of the usual rainfall till now while arid regions like Haveri, Gadag and Bidar districts getting abundant rainfall. Deserts of Rajasthan and semi-deserts of North Gujarat have seen unforeseen floods. We keep hearing the news that cloud-seeding is being done in the States of Kerala and Maharashtra also.

6. Surrounding areas of Kutta and Srimangala in South Kodagu usually get double the amount of rainfall than places like Balele and Thithimathi. But this year, the amount of rainfall is almost same in both the areas. This is surprising because if you move away from Western Ghats towards east, the amount of rainfall becomes lesser and lesser.

7. The catchment areas of Cauvery, where cloud-seeding has been done, have received drastically less rainfall. But in other plain regions of the State, there is not much of a difference.

8. Maybe due to cloud-seeding which is against the nature, the wind during monsoon has lost its speed and intensity and also might have changed its direction which may be the cause of uncertainties of monsoon in Malnad regions.

9. To get a good coffee crop, it is essential to receive a good blossom shower. But even after getting very good blossom shower, surrounding areas of Balele, Pollibetta and Thithimathi, the standing coffee crop is very poor. (Is this the effect of chemical Silver Iodide which is used in cloud-seeding?)

10. Even if you believe the statements from the government that it will rain heavily after cloud-seeding, the fact is that the extra amount of rain we get by doing cloud-seeding is only 5 to 6%. In reality, it is 50% less. Scientific reports say that cloud-seeding involves the use of chemicals into the air, which means that it can potentially harm the environment, especially plants and animals.

Cloud-seeding will change climatic patterns that exist on earth. This means that places that would normally receive moisture may start to experience drought due to artificial process of adding chemical compounds to the atmosphere to trigger rainfall. Apart from health of plants and animals, the cost of cloud-seeding is another big concern as it is a costly affair to deliver chemicals to the sky and have them released into the air. If this is the case, why indulge in this type of misadventures?

11. Kodagu has not seen two continuous famine years. But this time it is third year of famine in a row. Now think of the water scarcity we may face after September. To what level the water table may fall.

In 2016, Mandya and Mysuru got water for only one paddy crop (in a normal year they grow 3 crops). Bengaluru gets its drinking water.

In 2017, Mysuru and Mandya do not get water to grow even one crop of paddy. Bengaluru hardly gets enough drinking water.

After 2018, not even drinking water to Bengaluru???

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The flight for cloud seeding - BQ-100 Beechcraft - is being readied for cloud-seeding project Varshadhari, in Bengaluru yesterday. The flight did a one-hour sortie and sprayed Silver Iodide, Sodium Chloride and Potassium Chloride into clouds to condense water particles to produce rains.

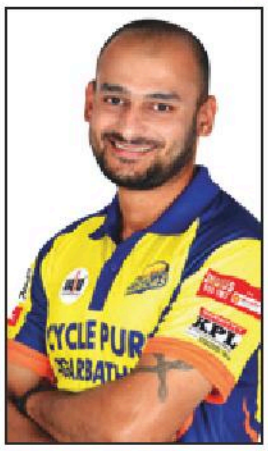
Nanda Kishore, Kishan Bedare make the cut

Duo represent *Mysuru Warriors* in Karbonn Smartphones KPL - 2017

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (VNS)- The suspense as to who will be the two catchment players to represent Mysuru Warriors in upcoming Karbonn Smartphones Karnataka Premier League has ended with the team management announcing the names of the two players this morning.

The Mysuru Warriors management has selected Nanda Kishore (JoJo Cricketers) and Kishan Bedare (National Cricket Club) to represent the team during KPL 2017 starting from Sept. 1 in Bengaluru.

Nanda Kishore is a medium fast bowler while Kishan Bedare is an all rounder. Both players will start practicing with the team from today.



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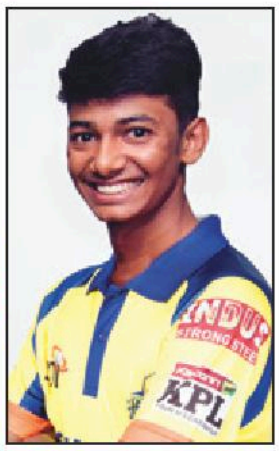

Kishan Bedare

Taluk-level Athletic Meet tomorrow

Mysuru, Aug. 22- International athlete **Reena George** will inaugurate the Taluk-level Athletic Meet-2017, organised by Department of PU Education, Mysuru and Mysore Central PU College, Saraswathipuram, at Chamundi Vihar Stadium, tomorrow at 9 am.

DDPU (in-charge) Shyamala will preside. Retd. DDPU K.M. Puttu will be the chief guest. Mysore Central PU College President A.H. Gopalakrishna will be present.

Mysore District Athletic selection trials on Aug.26

Mysuru, Aug. 22 -The Mysore District Athletic Association will be conducting the athletic selection trials for boys and girls in various age groups 14, 16,18, 20 years, men and women on Aug. 26 from 9 am at Chamundivihar Stadium.

This meet will be the basis for selecting the Mysuru district athletic team which will represent the district in the Inter-District National Athletic Meet 2017, Karnataka Senior & Junior Championship 2017 and Karnataka Inter-District Athletic Championship 2017 to be held in September, November and December. The participants who secure first and second place with best timings/ distance/height in all categories will be selected for the district athletic team.

Events for U-14 years
(Boys & girls)

100m, 600m, Long Jump, High Jump & Shot Put.

Events for U-16
(Boys & girls)

100m, 200m, 400m, 1000m, 100m Hurdles, 3000m walk, Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Discus.

Events for U-18
(boys & girls)

100m, 200m, 400m, 1500m, 110m Hurdles, 3000m Walk, Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Javelin Throw, Discus Throw.

U-20 years
(Boys & girls)

100m, 200m, 400m, 1500m, Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Javelin Throw, Discus Throw.

Men/Women

100m, 200m, 400m, 1500m, Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Javelin Throw, Discus throw.

For further details contact: Srikanth on Mob: 97318 08008 and Parashivamurthy on Mob: 90084 03777.

KSCA Mysuru Zonal League 2017

Vijeth, Nirmith shine for RBNCC

D. Vijeth

Nirmith Nityanand

Mysuru, Aug. 22- Unbeaten centuries by D. Vijeth (131 not out) and Nirmith Nityanand (101 not out) helped RBNCC 'B' post a whooping 334 for loss three wickets in 47 overs against Young Cricketers in KSCA Mysuru Zone III Division league match played at Vidya Vikas in city on Sunday last. Batting first, RBNCC 'B' was given a good start with both openers Vinod Kumar and Punit Revanna scoring 43 and 38 respectively. After they left the wicket, it was Vijeth and Nirmith who piled on the runs and remain unbeaten till the end.

In reply, Young Cricketers were bundled out for 226 in 39.1 overs. G. Vinay topped scored with 86 runs while Punit Revanna, Abhishek Jain and Nirmith picked up couple of wickets each.

In the other second division match, T.P. Sharbin's allround performance (five for 44 & 82) helped Futures CC to register a eight-wicket win against Jaihind CC 'A' in the KSCA Mysuru Zone II Division League played at the Manasa Gangothri grounds here recently.

THE SCORES

II Division: Jaihind CC 'A' 245 in 48.2 overs (Prithvishekar 54, Chandan Kumar 42, Yeshwanth 41, Ganesh 30, J. Kiran 25, T.P. Sharbin five for 44, Naveen Shetty two for 61) lost to Futures CC 214 for two in 32 overs (V. Uttam Gowda 93 n.o., T.P. Sharbin 82, D. Amruthraj 28) (Rain stopped play- Revised target-211 in 43 overs).

III Division: RBNCC 'B 334 for three in 47 overs (D. Vijeth 131 n.o., N. Nirmith 101 n.o., C. Vinod Kumar 43, Punit Revanna 35, M. Karthik two for 42) bt Young Cricketers 226 in 39.1 overs (G. Vinay 86, M. Karthik 30, Raghunandan 27, Punit Revanna two for 58, Abhishek Jaintwo for 20, N. Nirmith two for 35).

Warrior CC 170 in 40.3 overs (Varun Shetty 44, Mujahid Ahmed 36, S. Gowtham three for 38, Kushal two for 19, C.R. Praveen two for 34) lost to The Mysore City Gymkhana 173 for five in 33.2 overs (Naveen Prasad 77, P. Revanth 28, V. Devanand 26 n.o., Sanjay two for 26).

FACC 175 in 49.6 overs (Subramanyan 43 n.o., V.Sanath Kumar 34, Hariharan 28, Robin Stallin S 26. Kiran four for 18) lost to Lucky Boys CC (N'gud) 88 for three in 13 overs (Shekar 44) (Rain stoppedplay- Revised target-88 in 25 overs).

Sadvidya HS boys win badminton tournament

Sadvidya High School Boys Badminton team won the South Inter-Zone Badminton Competition organised by Department of Public Instruction recently. Seen in the picture are (from left) Samay, Balaji, Bhagath, Swaroop and Varun.

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F.K. Irani Memorial Golf Tournament from Aug. 26

Mysuru, Aug. 22- The prestigious Farrokh Khudamurad Irani Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Aug. 26-27 in city. The Tournament, sponsored by Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club, is conducted in memory of late F.K. Irani, who also served as the President of the club.

The event is one of the most sought after the popular tournament conducted by Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club.

The tournament will be inaugurated by Indian Golf Union Past President Raian F. Irani at 8 am on Aug. 26 (Saturday) and the prizes will be given away during the valedictory event on Aug. 27. Around 180 golfers from Bengaluru, Kodagu and Mysuru will take part in the tournament.

Tricolour flutters on I-Day

THE ACME SCHOOL: ***The 71st Independence Day was celebrated at The ACME School in the presence of Rtn. Lakshminarayan, Corporator J.S. Jagadish and School Secretary Arun Singh as the chief guests. Children presented various cultural programmes on the occasion.***

ASHA KIRANA HOSPITAL: ***The staff and management of Asha Kirana Hospital in city celebrated the 71st Independence Day with great enthusiasm.***

LITTLE ELLY MONTESSORI, BANNIMANTAP: ***The tiny-tots of Little Elly Montessori celebrated the 71st Independence Day with patriotic fervour and enthusiasm.***

AL-KAREEM SCHOOL, RAJIVNAGAR: ***The 71st I-Day was celebrated in a grand manner in the School premises. Corporator Suhail Baig, Directors Asmathulla Baig and Rahmath Ulla Baig, Chairman Advocate Kaleemulla Baig, School Head Mistress Yasmeen Sulthana, teachers, students and parents were present on the occasion.***

ST.JOSEPH'S COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, SATHAGALLI: CEO Mani was the chief guest for the I-Day celebrations. Dr. R. Manu, Principal, St.Joseph's Degree College for Women, Sathagalli, presided. March-past was taken out at the Physical Educator Vani Christopher's command. The cultural programme began with an invocation song and continued with dance, skit, yoga, speech and singing. Antony Mary, HOD of Kannada, compered. Nandini Ruben, HOD of English, proposed a vote of thanks.

MYSORE DISTRICT CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST ASSOCIATION (MDCDA): ***MDCDA celebrated Independence Day with the inmates of Navajeevanikethana Home for the Disabled at Rajivnagar in city. Association President Kumaraswamy, Secretary Ravi, Wholesale Committee Chairman Amanulla Khan and others are seen.***

ISRO women scientists credit family, colleagues support for MOM success

FROM LEFT: ***Ravi Bhakta, Business Unit Head-Metering, L&T Ltd.; Supriya Ramdasi, Convenor, Women Forum, CII Mysuru; B.P. Dakshayani, Group Director - Flight Dynamics Group; S. Padmasree, Dy. Project Director - Sensors Subsystem; Anatta Sonney, Head - LEO & Interplanetary Orbit Dynamics Section of Flight Dynamics and S. Padmashree, Junior Engineer, ISRO Satellite Centre.***

Mysuru, Aug. 22- Women power was seen in full force. They were not the usual divas of glamour industry but women who work quietly behind the scenes and contribute to the growth of the country. They shared their experiences of how they manage their family and work successfully.

These and other lessons were imparted at a special interactive session with 'Women Scientists of ISRO,' the women behind India's acclaimed Mars Orbiter Mission (MOM), organised by the Women Forum of CII Mysuru, at L&T Training Centre here yesterday.

B.P. Dakshayani, Group Director - Flight Dynamics Group, ISRO Satellite Centre, highlighting about role of women scientist in success of ISRO mission said, "In ISRO, as on January 2017, there are 2,413 employees including 648 women, which is nearly 27 percent. They are also involved in design and development of all launch vehicles including PSLV and GSLV. Nearly 70 women are in decision-making."

According to Dakshayani, there is no gender bias in their organisation. She asked the women to be passionate in whatever they do. They should be hard working and need to acquire skill and keep updating knowledge in any profession. "For our success, family support was beyond our expectation," she added.

S. Padmasree, Deputy Project Director - Sensors Subsystem, ISRO Satellite Centre, Bengaluru, said, "When you do work with pleasure, it is never considered as pressure. Without proper family support, it is difficult to excel in any profession. Apart from this, we had good team members who were very co-operative and motivating."

Supriya Ramdasi, Convenor, Women Initiatives, CII Mysuru and COO, Plansee India HPM, said that recent study by World Bank shows only 27 percent of India's workforce is female — far below the world average of 50 percent. "We are way behind even some of our neighbouring countries — Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. India ranks 120 among 131 nations in women workforce. The contribution towards the GDP of India from women is a mere 17 percent, whereas the global average is 37 percent," she said.

There was a lively interaction as over 150 women entrepreneurs who took part in the programme, posed a few questions including how the women scientists were able to manage family and work, how cooperative men were and how is the working condition for women scientists at ISRO. Anatta Sonney, Head - LEO and Interplanetary Orbit Dynamics Section of Flight Dynamics and S. Padmashree, Junior Engineer, ISRO Satellite Centre, were also present.

DC requests change in Dasara holidays for Mysuru district

Mysuru, Aug. 22- Dasara Special Officer and Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep has requested the Department of Public Instructions to sanction Dasara holidays in Mysuru from Sept. 21 to Oct. 5.

In a letter to the Dept., the DC has said that the State Government has declared Oct. 11 to 25 as Dasara Holidays for the academic year 2017-2018.Since this year's Dasara falls from Sept. 21 to 30, holidays in Mysuru must be declared from Sept. 21 to Oct. 5 enabling the children and teachers to take part in the celebrations, the DC said.

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Dasara Food Mela: Meeting with stakeholders tomorrow

Mysuru, Aug. 22- With the Dasara Food Mela-2017 to be held at three locations across the city — Scouts & Guides Ground, MUDA Ground adjacent to Lalitha Mahal Palace and MUDA space next to Sathagalli KSRTC Depot, the authorities have convened a meeting of all stakeholders who include Hotels, Restaurants, Bakeries, Condiment shops, food makers, caterers etc., at the DC's office here at 11 am tomorrow.

For details, contact Food and Civil Supplies Dy. Director Dr. K. Rameshwarappa, who is also the Working President of Dasara Food Mela, over Mob: 96111-65967 or Ph: 0821-2422107.

CM to present 'Samyama Awards' in city on Aug. 29

Mysuru, Aug. 22- The Karnataka State Temperance Board, which campaigns against alcohol and drug addiction in society, will confer 'Samyama Awards' on three personalities at Kalamandira here on Aug. 29.

CM Siddharamaiah will present the awards for three years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17.

Announcing this at a press meet at the DC's office here yesterday, the Board Chairman H.C. Rudrappa said that the awardees are **Ningaraj Malladi** of Belaku Samsthe, Hunsur (2014-15), **Dr. C.R. Chandrashekar,** former Professor of Psychiatry at NIMHANS, Bengaluru (2015-16) and **Dr. H.G. Sadashivaiah** of Tumakuru (2016-17).

Each award carries a cash prize of Rs. 1 lakh, he said and added that the awardees were selected by a nine-member Committee which comprised the Directors of the Board.

Continuing, Rudrappa said that the three personalities are being conferred with the award for their efforts in spreading the message about the ill-effects of alcoholism and helping people overcome alcoholism.

Lady MLC's hand-holding controversy

Kodagu Minister recommends T.P. Ramesh's suspension

Bengaluru, Aug. 22- Kodagu District in-Charge Minister M.R. Seetharam yesterday said that he has recommended and also sought the suspension of T.P. Ramesh from the Congress party.

Speaking to reporters, Seetharam said that Ramesh had brought great embarrassment to him and the party by trying to hold the hand of party MLC Veena Achaiah during the Independence Day function in Madikeri recently.

"The incident has brought great embarrassment to the party. More so to me considering the fact that I was also in the video footage beamed by all media channels. I have recommended the immediate suspension of the man," he said.

When asked that Ramesh was also the Chairman of the Karnataka Silk Board, Seetharam said the Government will also decide on the Board posting after his suspension from the party.

A file photo of MLC Veena Achaiah pushing T.P. Ramesh's hand at a recent Independence Day event in Madikeri. Kodagu District in-charge Minister M.R. Seetharam is also seen.

"First let the man be suspended from the party and then we will take a call on the Board Chairmanship," said the Minister.

The video of Ramesh, Kodagu District Congress Committee ex-President, holding the hand of party MLC Shantheyanda Veena Achaiah, and the latter trying to free her hand during the Independence Day celebrations on Aug. 15, went viral creating a massive controversy.

In the 10-second video, Veena Achaiah is seen lifting his hand and pushing it away. The video, taken by a local channel, also shows Ramesh trying to hold on to her hand.

State-wide APMC bandh tomorrow

Mysuru, Aug. 22 (US)- Transactions at Agricultural Produce Marketing Committee (APMC) yard in city will be affected tomorrow as APMC bandh will be observed heeding to the call given by Federation of Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FKCCI) for a State-wide APMC bandh.

The bandh is in the context of a Government order to remit payments to farmers directly to their Bank accounts electronically for agricultural produce purchased from them. The call for bandh of APMC in city is given by District Grain Merchants Association.

The State Government launched the e-payment scheme on a trial basis at five APMCs in Bidar district, one each in Davanagere and Dharwar districts. Opposing that, merchants in those APMCs are on an indefinite strike from Aug. 5.

However, the Government contends that the e-payment would benefit farmers and prevent default by traders.

However, the Grain Merchants Association says that during peak season, transactions would go on till 1 am or 2 am and it would be impossible to pay farmers electronically.

Association General Secretary Anand contends that e-payment system has certain technical problems and hence seeks 48 hours time to remit payment to farmers.

KRRS General Secretary Badagalapura Nagendra opines that though e-payment is claimed as farmer-friendly it has its own drawbacks.

WORD OF THE DAY

Oppugn

Pronunciation: uh-PYOON

Meaning: To fight against; to call in question.
Origin: Oppugn was first recorded in English in the 15th century. It came to Middle English from the Latin verb oppugnare, which in turn derived from the combination of ob-, meaning "against," and pugnare, meaning "to fight." Pugnare itself is descended from the same ancient word that gave Latin the word pugnus, meaning "fist." It's no surprise, then, that oppugn was adopted into English to refer to fighting against something or someone, either physically (as in "the dictatorship will oppugn all who oppose it") or verbally (as in "oppugn an argument"). Other descendants of pugnare in English include the equally aggressive pugnacious, impugn, repugnant, and the rare inexpugnable ("incapable of being overthrown").

THE ODD WORD

Ecdysiast

A striptease performer.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Fool's Gold

Meaning: Iron pyrite is a mineral that bears a resemblance to gold, but in terms of value, it does not compare; hence it has been given the nickname "fool's gold."

Example: Being short of cash, I decided to buy my wife a ring made out of fools gold rather than the real thing. I don't think she'll mind, really.
Origin: This phrase comes from the fact that there is a mineral that looks similar to gold in appearance, and as a result, it fools many people. As an example, look at what happened to an English seaman by the name of Martin Frobisher. During the second half of the 16th century, he made three trips to Canada. On his second trip he found a mineral that he thought was gold and so he carried hundreds of tons of the stuff back home with him on three ships, where he made a fine profit. Intrigued, Frobisher returned to Canada with several additional ships than he had before in order to mine and carry even more of this "gold" back with him, and that's exactly what he did. After years of smelting, eventually it was figured out that this wasn't gold at all, it was actually just a worthless (in terms of value) mineral known as iron pyrite. The phrase makes an early appearance in 1872, where an article entitled "Fool's Gold and how we may know it," is found in the Indiana Progress newspaper. There it reads: "There are several minerals which are sometimes mistaken for gold, but the two which are most apt to give rise to deception in this matter are pyrites and mica, and hence they are sometimes called fool's gold."

QUOTE BOX

He who believes is strong; he who doubts is weak. Strong convictions precede great actions. **—Louisa May Alcott**

RIDDLE THIS

What does the rebus below mean?

Answer: Blanket.

SUDOKU

2	9					1		7
		3		7				
			1		9			6
9	2				4			
				5				
			2				5	9
3			8		1			
				4		3		
5		6					2	4

Answer to previous puzzle

9	7	2	8	5	3	4	6	1
8	6	1	4	2	7	9	5	3
3	4	5	1	9	6	7	8	2
4	3	6	5	8	2	1	9	7
1	8	7	9	3	4	5	2	6
2	5	9	7	6	1	8	3	4
5	2	4	6	1	8	3	7	9
6	1	8	3	7	9	2	4	5
7	9	3	2	4	5	6	1	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Planet fourth in distance from the sun
5 Whatyoumaydoafteralongrun!
9 Sugar suffix?
12 Border on
13 Halls, theatres
14 An insect - in your telephone?
15 Melody or harmony
16 Urging or procuring the passage of a bill, by soliciting hard for it
18 A small cod
20 Luxuriates as in, "_____ in the reflected glory of..."?
21 Sot trucks out in a goods yard
22 Author ___ Rand of Atlas Shrugged fame
23 Latitude, abbr.
24 Old fashioned or Biblical jug or itcher
27 Aim or end or ambition
31 Three main blood groups
32 Languishes; wastes away from grief etc.
34 Pounds per sq in.
35 A smart blow?
37 Another word for 'delicate' or 'tender'
38 Eur. Space Agcy
39 CIA precursor
41 Pertaining to the bone in the forearm
43 Use a knife again?
46 Combine or fuse into one
47 Indian___:ournationalcarrier?
50 Roman eight
52 Northerly compass pt.
53 Charity bazaar
54 Costal birds
55 __ Gardens : place to visit in London along the Thames?
56 Be scared of or dread
57 State flower of Utah - "goes" round?

DOWN

1 Shoes are wiped on it
2 Arabian sheikdom (3,5)
3 _ __ __ steam : have no energy or enthusiasm left? (3,3,2)
4 Rear part of boat or ship
5 Long rounded piece of wood or metal
6 Fuss or bustle, to-do
7 The peak of a cap
8 Striped cat, usually female
9 Japanese sashes
10 Became submerged?
11 Urges a person on
17 Chinese masculine element
19 Put a foot forward
21 Broad, flat, thick piece of stone, wood or other solid material
22 God of war
25 ___ over : persuades; gains support of
26 Part of a compass box
28 Start attacking someone with a rifle or a gun, perhaps? (4,4)
29 Appraising, estimating or evaluating
30 Ananias, for one
33 Keep clear of
36 If you commit one it's against the rules
40 ___ upper lip : typical British fortitude?
42 A cat has nine ___
43 Odorous
44 One in Bonn
45 The captain's men
46 Employer or exploiter
48 Maiden name prefix
49 Estimatedtimeofarrival,inshort
51 International Standards Organization, acronym?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

T	I	C	S	■	S	P	A	S	■	D	A	S
A	M	A	H	■	W	A	R	C	R	A	F	T
T	A	R	O	■	I	N	T	H	E	W	A	Y
E	M	P	R	E	S	S	■	E	N	D	S	■
■	■	■	T	A	S	■	S	M	E	L	T	S
E	M	M	E	T	■	D	I	A	■	I	O	C
N	A	A	N	■	G	I	R	■	A	N	N	O
O	H	S	■	S	A	G	■	B	E	G	E	T
L	A	T	T	E	R	■	F	I	R	■	■	■
■	N	O	I	C	■	R	O	T	A	T	E	S
M	A	D	E	O	V	E	R	■	T	A	D	A
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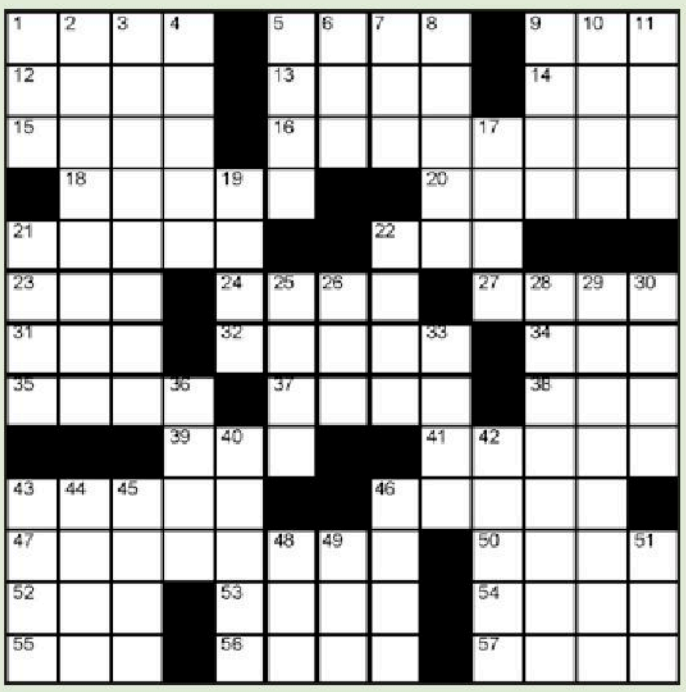

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

UN WSQGAOU ABOE BD SOVQDVBABDT UN

TSQEE KFGBCE XBCK UN DOC BDVQUO.

TODAY'S CLUE: T EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Ability will never catch up with the demand for it.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Kaafi Thota	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Mass Leader	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Thatana Thiti Mommagana Prastha			
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
First Love	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Kadhal	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Raj Vishnu	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Prachandi	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
Operation Alamelamma	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Maarikondavaru	Olympia	2420737	2 Shows
Paaru I Love You	Olympia	2420737	2 Shows
TAMIL			
Velai Illa Pattathari (VIP) 2	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	2 Shows
TELUGU			
Duvvada Jagannadham	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
LIE	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	2 Shows
Nene Raju Nene Mantri	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Taramani	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
....	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
....	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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Toilet: Ek Prem Katha (H)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 4.00 pm, 7.00
Velai Illa Pattathari (VIP) 2 (Ta)	(S-1)	1.30 pm
Bareilly Ki Barfi (H)	(S-1)	9.55 pm
	(S-3)	11.00 am, 4.40 pm, 7.15
Kaafi Thota (K)	(S-2)	11.15 am, 7.00 pm
Maarikondavaru (K)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
Viceroy's House (E)	(S-2)	4.45 pm
Bobby (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Vikram Vedha (Ta)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
Anando Brahma (Te)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Annabelle: Creation (E)	(S-4)	11.00 am, 3.50 pm, 5.50 7.55 pm, 9.55 pm
Operation Alamelamma (K)	(S-4)	1.15 pm

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Annabelle: Creation (E)	(S-1)	12.35 pm, 2.55, 5.15 pm 7.35 pm, 9.55 pm
Viceroy's House (E)	(S-3)	9.55 am, 5.10 pm
Bareilly Ki Barfi (H)	(S-1)	9.50 am; (S-4) 9.40 pm
	(S-3)	12.10 pm, 2.40, 7.20 pm
Toilet: Ek Prem Katha (H)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 1.05 pm 6.45 pm, 9.50 pm
Kadhal (K)	(S-4)	10.50 am
Velai Illa Pattathari (VIP) 2 (Ta)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
Maarikondavaru (K)	(S-4)	1.25 pm
Kaafi Thota (K)	(S-4)	4.15 pm
Bobby (Ma)	(S-4)	6.50 pm
Nene Raju Nene Mantri (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON WEDNESDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.45 Bhavageete, 6.50 Sponsored Prog., 8.30 Radio Doctor, 8.35 Sponsored Prog., 10.00 Hindustani Classical Music, 11.00 Kamanabillu, 12.00 noon Chukki Chinna, 12.30 Mahila Ranga, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.30 pm Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Chinnara Chukki, 4.00 Film Songs, 4.30 Folk Songs, 5.00 Gaana, 6.15 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 8.00 Yuvavani, 9.30 Vocal Recital, 10.00 Savinenapu.

TV TONIGHT

6:30 pm Bin Kuch Kahe	7:00 pm Tu Sooraj Main	6:00 pm Crime Patrol - Satark
7:00 Sethji	Saanjh Piyaji	7:00 Yeh Moh Ke Dhaage
7:30 Aisi Deewangi...	7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein	7:30 Peshwa Bajirao
Dekhi Nahi Kahi	8:00 Iss Pyaar Ko Kya Naam Doon?	8:00 Mahabali Hanumaan
8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek	8:30 Chandra Nandni	8:30 Pehredaar Piya Ki
8:30 Piya Albela	9:00 Naamkarann	9:00 Beyhadh
9:00 Kumkum Bhagya	9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai	9:30 Kuch Rang Pyar Ke Aise Bhi
5:30 pm Wild Menu	1:00 pm Knight Club	5:00 pm Great Human
6:00 Destroyed in Seconds	1:30 Pro Kabaddi League 2017 H/ls	Race : Dawn
6:30 What Happened Next?	2:00 India Tour of Australia 2016 H/ls : 3rd T20	6:00 Monkey Thieves
7:00 Man Vs. Wild : Inside Story	3:00 BWF Championships 2017 H/ls	06:30 Science of Stupid
8:00 River Monsters	3:30 BWF World Championships 2017 [LIVE]	07:00 Nat Geo Investigates
9:00 India's Frontier Railways		08:00 Animals Gone Wild
10:00 The Island with Bear Grylls		09:00 Mission Critical
		10:00 India's Mega Kitchens
6:00 pm Oggy & the Cockroaches	6:30 pm Ganga	6:30 pm Jo Jo Laali
6:30 Larva	7:30 Kula Deivam	7:00 Sarayoo
8:30 Oggy & the Cockroaches	8:00 Deiva Magal	7:30 Avalu
9:00 Teen Titans Go	8:30 Vamsam	8:00 Kaveri
9:30 Horrid Henry	9:00 Nandini	8:30 Nandini
10:00 Ben 10	9:30 Vani Rani	9:00 Jeevanadhi
	10:00 Priyamanaval	9:30 Aramane

MOVIES TONIGHT

4:06 pm **Chinese Zodiac**	4:57 pm **Monkey Trouble**	5:52 pm **Death at a Funeral**
6:36 **Cars**	6:42 **Mission: Impossible**	7:18 **Grown Ups**
9:00 **The Wolverine**	9:00 **The Legend of Tarzan**	9:00 **The Animal**
11:36 **Men in Black II**	11:00 **Case 39**	10:23 **Days of Thunder**
1:00 pm **Dil To Pagal Hai**	2:29 pm **Shiva: Super Hero 2**	4:05 pm **Madhoshi**
5:00 **Hero No. Zero**	5:42 **Bulandi**	7:15 **Teleshopping Telemart**
9:00 **Akhil**	9:00 **Revolver Raja**	8:15 **Shanti Kranti**
3:22 pm **Spider-Man**	4:00 pm **Hendathige Helbedi**	3:50 pm **Partner**
5:59 **Captain America**	7:00 **Luv U Alia**	6:55 **Bajrangi Bhaijaan**
9:00 **The Incredible Hulk**	10:00 **Nyaya Gedithu**	10:25 **Zameen**
11:27 **Werewolf**		

EVENTS TODAY (AUG.22)

Sahara Art and Craft: Shopping Festival-2017, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Bharani Art Gallery: 'Nisarga Darshana,' Exhibition of water paintings by H.P. Rangaswamy of city, Bharani Art Gallery premises, near Vivekananda Circle, **up to 7 pm.**

Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDM-IMD): Foundation Day, lecture by T.S. Krishna Murthy, former Chief Election Commissioner of India, SDM-IMD auditorium, Chamundi Hill Road, **4 pm.**

Government Nursing College, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI): 5th anniversary celebrations, MLA Vasu inaugurates, MMC&RI Dean and Director Dr. B. Krishnamurthy presides, felicitation to retd. Nurse Saraswathi of K.R. Hospital, Government Nursing College Principal Firdose Fathima delivers introductory address, Platinum Jubilee Hall, J.K. Grounds, **4 pm.**

Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt: 38th Chaturmasya Vratam of Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt Pontiff Sri Vidyesha Teertha Swamiji, 'Harinama Sankeerthana' by Bhajana Mandali, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Discourse, Sri Venkatachaladhama, Ramaswamy Circle, **6 pm to 8 pm.**

Swara Sinchana Samskrutika Trust: Inauguration by Kanagal Dance Academy Founder Ramu Kanagal (son of late Puttanna Kanagal), Swara Sinchana Samskrutika Trust President Dr. N. Kuldeep presides, special karaoke singing programme, Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **5 pm.**

Suttur Mutt, Mysuru branch: Shravana month, Mass prayers, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Gubbi Mallannaarya's Veerashaivamrutha Purana' by Dr. K. Anantharamu, Vaachana by Dr. K. Ramachandra, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUG. 23)

Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetha, Discourse on Yoga Vashista by Sri Swamiji, **7.30 am;** Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa etc., Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama, Ooty Road, **8.30 am.**

Department of PU Education, Mysuru and Mysore Central PU College, Saraswathipuram: Taluk-level athletic meet-2017, International athlete Reena George inaugurates, DDPU (in-charge) Shyamala presides, retd. DDPU K.M. Puttu chief guest, Mysore Central PU College President A.H. Gopalakrishna will be present, Chamundi Vihar Stadium, **9 am.**

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Entries invited for Bravery Awards

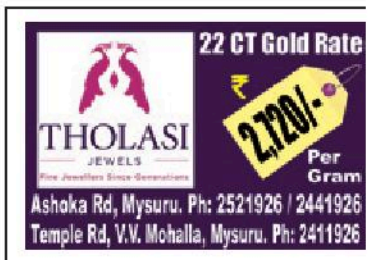
Mysuru, Aug. 22- The Government of Karnataka has invited applications from children in the age group of 6-18 years, who have saved others lives by risking their own, for **Hoysala and Keladi Chennamma Bravery Awards.** The award carries a cash prize of Rs. 10,000 and a citation.

The incident must have occurred between August 2016 and July 2017 and be recognised in the district level. It should also be recorded in the FIR filed by the jurisdictional Police.

Prescribed application form is available at the Office of the Deputy Director, Women and Child Development Department, Sthree Shakthi Bhavan, 1st Floor, Krishnadevaraya Circle, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Mysuru-17.

Last date to submit the filled in application form, along with two attested passport size photographs and the photocopy of the newspaper in which the incident has been reported, is Sept. 15.

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2498031 or 2495432, according to a press release.



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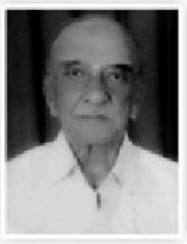

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